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LET'S BE TRUTHFUL

The recent federal grand jury made some recommendations to Judge Farrington relative to the enforcement of the federal and state dry laws. It decried the fact that the people as a whole do not lend assistance to state, county and federal officers in the furnishing of testimony in trials and grand jury actions. The report, however, has the sound of candor and undoubtedly there is ground for the action taken but there are other views of the situation.

When this state voted dry the people had in mind mainly the putting out of business of the saloon and grog ship. They hoped by their vote to stop drunkenness on the streets, the sale of liquor to minors and to correct other glaring evils, but many did not realize that they were voting themselves dry along with the saloon men. What happened in Nevada was identical with what happened in the majority of states.

The saloon went out of business, but the bootlegger came in. The people would enjoy putting the "Jack" maker out of business, and he should be, but these same people also crave and get their tipple. That is one reason that the enforcement is hard, locally, state and nationally. It is a safe venture to say that some of the men who formed the present grand jury and signed the statement have in some manner violated the dry act. It is a safe prediction that they or members of their families have either tried to or have made some sort of intoxicant. It is further safe to say that these same men will indulge in some sort of boozed liquor before they are a month older.

It is a known fact that many families in this and other sections have talked over, planned or made some sort of intoxicant during the past year. At the present time many are planning on the dandelion root to furnish a liquor with a kick. Others will use fruits and berries, and liquors that are needed under the ban will be made this year and the next and for all time in households.

The truth of the matter is that the taste of liquor is here, the thirst is unquenched and as long as people have fruits and berries and nature's products to turn into fermentations there will be violators of the present law.

The jury's report, while perforce and undoubtedly essential at the moment, is somewhat inconsistent when all the facts are considered. The report asks that more men be appointed to enforce the law, and it is pretty near a certainty that many of the jurors who have signed up before the year is out have violated some provision of the very act that they now call down on their heads.

The truth of the matter is that the dry act as it now stands is beyond enforcement without punishing more than half of the population of the whole country. If all the transgressions told and confessions were made by every violator of the federal and state dry laws it would be an impossibility to find a jury whose members or most of them had not violated the law, both directly and indirectly—Carson Appeal.

PROF. EINSTEIN KNOWS HIS BIZ

Professor Albert Einstein evidently thinks he's going to have a lot of fun with us. In his very first interview he demonstrated that he knows a thing or two, in addition to the problem of relativity.

He expressed surprise, with a mental wink and a chuckle up his sleeve, that there existed such widespread interest in his definitions. He knows. The reason the public is so interested is because they don't understand it. If they understood it they would forget all about it in 24 hours. But because they don't it remains an elusive problem which vaguely, they suppose, has some determining effect on that grand problem of humanity, the end of the world.

This engrossing subject, because it is so remote, can always raise a discussion, since a matter of a hundred thousand years leaves liberal latitude for amateur philosophers.

If Professor Einstein were to explain in words of one syllable—assuming words of one syllable could handle the question—exactly what he has deduced on time and space, an indignant public would walk out on him and leave him flat on his deductive back. Its mystery is its

There is universal agreement that certain large merchandising and news prints have had much to do with creating business conditions.

Under provisions of a tentative bill which is being prepared with the assistance of experts of the treasury department, said which the Senate finance committee will be asked to approve, it is proposed to place a straight sales tax of one-half of one per cent on all sales of manufacturers and dealers and to remove the party taxes which is only to amount to a small sum to collect as well. This will repeat the experience last year and the money would be used to pay off the debts from the earlier percentage which would be reduced to 32 per cent of the total instead of the present 30 per cent. It is expected that this would stop the large speculative tax-free securities and cover the

IS MRS. EDDY ALIVE?

Mrs. Eddy, founder of the Christian Science faith, alive? that, in effect, is the question put up to the courts of Massachusetts. Mrs. Eddy, who is admittedly physically dead, can continue to be an officer in the business management of the Christian Science church, there is no reason why the Andrew Carnegie of the vast business should not be considered as active agents in the conduct of the vast business enterprises with which they were associated life. If this peculiar contention is allowed to stand in court the dead hands of countless persons who have passed beyond will continue to idle lifeless and chilling bolts over vast business and religious enterprises and a man who wants to make sure that his estate is parcels up according to his will would have to specify beforehand that when the passes out he is to be succeeded both physically and legally dead.

It is scarcely believable that the lawyer who raised the point in court means to try to have it sustained.

THE PROPOSED SALES TAX

One of the problems confronting Congress at the annual session which convened Monday is that of passing a new revenue measure to pay for the

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